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Mount Si's GOOD NEWSletter

June 2019

Kev Dates:

June 8th— Ropes Course @ Waterhouse June 9th— Honoring Grads Honoring Teachers VBS Special Offering Last day of Sunday School June 16th-Father's Day June 23rd-One Outdoor worship @ 9:30am Picnic @ 11am All at EJ Roberts June 30th— One Worship @ 9:30am, Summer schedule now until September

Thursday Farmer's Market Mt Si Booth 4-8pm starting on June 6th—September Come say Hi!

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Pastor's Note.....

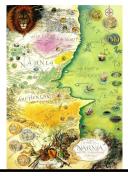
In the month of June our Sermon texts will be taken from the Acts of the Apostles. We will begin with the story of Pentecost in the 2nd chapter and then take a look at St Paul's three missionary journeys. We will jump around Acts quite a bit each week in an effort to glean the focus and breadth of each missionary journey. In case you have not spent a great deal of time studying St. Paul, I wanted to spend some time offering a brief introduction to this well loved Apostle.

First, we meet Paul early in acts as "Saul." We are told that Saul was born in Tarsus, one of the biggest and most influential cities in Asia Minor and that he was a Pharisee and of the tribe of Benjamin. Pharisees were a group of thinkers and teachers who espoused particular beliefs regarding how one should practice Jewish faith. They were less concerned about the temple and did believe in the possibility of resurrection. After the fall of the temple in 70CE it was the Pharisaic movement that survived and helped inform modern rabbinical Judaism. Second, we also know that Saul believed the followers of Jesus posed a major threat to Judaism and worked on behalf of authorities in Jerusalem to arrest followers of Jesus and escort them to jail. He was also complicit in the death of Stephen who is stoned to death for this profession of faith in Jesus. Third, we know that it was on his way to arrest followers of Jesus that he has a vision of Jesus, is knocked to the ground, blinded, and hears Jesus speak directly to him regarding his role in the persecution. After meeting another disciple, who cures him of his blindness, Saul beings preaching about Jesus in the synagogues. Fourth, we don't know when Saul takes the name Paul. In Chapter 13 of Acts we simply get a line that reads, "Saul, who was also called Paul," and from then on is referred to as Paul. Fifth, Saul/Paul is specifically called to preach the good news of Jesus Christ to the gentiles. However, he almost always begins his preaching in the local synagogue and then reaches out to the gentiles in the area. Gentiles are anyone who is not of Jewish ethnicity. Saul/Paul will often get into trouble with the disciples in the Jerusalem church because of his strong belief that one did not have to follow the entirety of the mosaic law (including circumcision) in order to be a follower of Jesus. He thought a good follower of Jesus was one who followed the laws that allowed those around that follower to recognize an example of holy living. In some cases that might meant abstaining from eating pork and in others might mean taking part in a meal with pork. He writes that he "became all things to all people," and could do so because, "it is not I that live, but Christ that lives in me." Sixth, Paul was tireless in his witness to Jesus. It landed him in prison on multiple occasions and led to his near stoning several times. He believed that Jesus would come back soon and he wanted to make sure as many people as possible had the opportunity to hear about Jesus before he returned. Seventh, Paul was human and made mistakes just like we do. He ran headfirst into his call to discipleship and the descents of the followers of Jesus owe a great thanks to our Lord for sending him to tell the world of Jesus. Just as I give thanks to Jesus for your lives of discipleship! Peace be with you all - Pastor Krista

JUNE COMMUNITY GATHERINGS!



Dinner & Faith
Every Wednesday @ 6:30pm
Come join us every
Wednesday for
Fellowship and
Nourishment
Focus of topic will be on the
life and work of
Dietrich Bonhoeffer
*please bring a dish to share
for our potluck dinners*



VBS Adventures in Narnia

July 28th-August 1st 6-8pm Ages 4yrs old –5th grade The Best Week of the Summer!

- -New Friends
- -Creative
- games
 -Surprising adventures
- -Amazing experiments



Summer Worship Kick Off—ONE SERVICE When: June 23rd at 9:30am Worship, 11am Picnic Where: EJ Roberts Park

Come enjoy worship, fellowship, BBQ, and games! Keep an eye out in the Bulletins and the Weekly Email Updates for more information

Thirsty for Theology Thursday Thursday, June 6th 7:00pm @ the Cassidy Home

All are welcome to join in friendly conversation on various theological topics. No expertise necessary! This is a time to listen to each other and be challenged by various opinions and experiences. Questions? Ask Pastor Krista!



Serving at the Food Bank 9am

Volunteers are always welcome to help serve at the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank. Sign ups are in the Narthex on the Sign-Up Board

ONGOING GATHERINGS...

Women's Bible Study every Monday afternoon from 12:30-2:00pm.

Men's Bible Study and Breakfast every Saturday morning @ Country Pride Restaurant at 8am

Monthly Birthday Celebration happens the first Thursday of every month at 11:30am in the fellowship hall. Celebrate the birthdays of the current month with cake, conversation and lunch

Quilters gather every Tuesday at 9:30am to make quilts for LWR.

Prayer Shawls & Needlework group meets every Thursday at Mt Si Golf Course at 9:30am

Women's Ministry meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month to discuss faith, plan service projects and more...June 25th

Wednesday Evening Dinner and Faith, 6:30-8pm each Wednesday until mid-June.

Thirsty for Theology, 1st Thurs. of the Month @ the Cassidy's home. Meet at 7pm

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN UP TO THROUGHOUT MAY



Welcome Bishop Shelley Bryan Wee!





Garden of Giving Clean up

May 21st!
Construction on the new roofs will be completed on Wed. June 5th!
Thank you for all the contributions that have helped make this happen! We are only \$10,000 away from reaching our

overall goal!

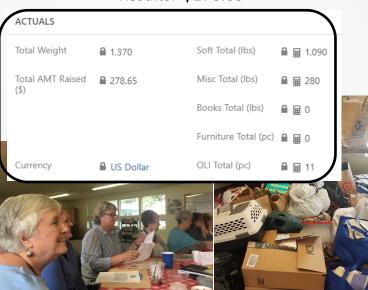


Backpack Spring Fling Women's Ministry Event!

There was a great turn out of women and children learning about the amazing backpack program through the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank. Thanks to Nancy Jones for being our special guest!

It's time to CELEBRATE your SUCCESS!FUNDrive

Results: \$278.65



CHILDREN, YOUTH, FAMILY

The Children, Youth, and Family ministry is growing and evolving. As a congregation we are exploring ways we can develop education to meet the needs within a changing society. If we think of these ministries as being is like a Mobius strip, there is multidimensional impact. Parker Palmer describes our spirit as being like a this as well because we are influenced internally by our thoughts and simultaneously by the world. Within congregational life we must simultaneously develop our purpose inside our walls and outside our walls in the community. Engaging in the work of the food bank or other community services are but a tip of the iceberg, we must dig deeper to be the beacon of light that God calls us to be.

We are in an exploratory phase of developing a weekly children's after school program. We have much to explore and do before we declare it as a ministry. We would like to first ask for individuals who would be interested in volunteering to be on an oversight task force to develop this program. Currently the plan for the program is for it to be a Friday after school program from 1:30-6:30pm open to members and community members.

One of the main goals will be to provide opportunities for children to develop emotional resiliency and conflict resolution skills. Please let John Grebe or Erica Haycox know if you are interested in helping with the inception of a program of this nature.

Upcoming events:

Children, Youth, and Families Serve

Starting in June our youth and children are encouraged to come and help with hot meals for the summer. If you are Interested please talk to John, Erica, or Pastor Krista so that we can sign you up to help.

Vacation Bible School planning continues for our theme of C.S. Lewis' The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe. Let John know if you are interested in helping out. We still have opportunities for you to be involved.

Children, Youth, and Families Upcoming activities

June 8, Waterhouse Center Challenge Course All ages are welcome to come and join us on the course. We will be carpooling from the church at 9am and returning at approximately 4pm. Please bring a sack lunch or hotdogs to roast over an open fire. We will be roasting marshmallows as well. Please note that weather appropriate clothing is important. If you have children or youth who wish to attend without a parent please see John for a consent form from the church as well as from Waterhouse Center.

There has been a request to do a bike ride on the Iron Horse Trail. No date has been set but we will load bikes up in a trailer and carpool up to the pass and off load for the ride down sometime in mid to late June, details to be determined.

John Grebe M.Ed. Children, Youth and Family Director (360)920-5876 cyf@mtsilutheran.org

PARISH EDUCATION



Sunday school Update!



It's hard to believe it is June and our summer break is upon us! It's been a great year! We have had so much fun and learned so much about God and our families! We have a couple fun busy weeks planned to finish off our year! Don't miss them!

These last couple weeks find us hearing more stories about people of God. We will hear learn about Timothy and Daniel-both strong in their faith and amazing -examples of how we too can follow God and teach others along the way. We also will explore Proverbs and see how the Bible can offer wisdom to us in our lives and guide us. Our Scripture verse is Deuteronomy 6:5 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your being and all your strength."

June Sunday School Calendar of events!

June 2

Parent meeting upstairs! Come for coffee and a special snack! All kids meet in Luther's Lounge for a fun project and special snack!

Bibles presented to 3rd graders (and others who haven't received them yet~ during worship services)

June 9 Last day of Sunday school!

Sundae Sunday!

Father's Day gifts /Teacher appreciation!

Graduation recognition Sunday

*The Sunday school teachers would sincerely like to thank everyone who brought their children to Sunday school this year! It has been a privilege and an honor to teach them.

**This summer the Parish Education Committee will be looking at our Sunday school education program and reevaluating it to see if it is meeting the needs of our families, etc. We welcome any feedback anyone may have. Please see Courtney Adams or Debbie Jones.

Sunday school Update!

Sunday School Staff for the 2018-2019 School Year:

Preschool—Peggy Halferty & Rosemary Hanson Kindergarten/First grade—Debbie Jones Second/Third grades—Courtney Adams Fourth/Fifth grades—Kim Buckmaster& Joanne Chase Submerge Teen Time—John Grebe Adult Education Hour—Pastor Krista/ Marlin Olson/Dan Luke Substitute teacher- Enid Gast

COUNCIL CORNER

Council Report.....

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Council is happy to report that we are continuing our outreach efforts here in the Snoqualmie Valley and we are continuing to build and rebuild relationships. We will be present at the Farmer's Market in North Bend every Thursday from 4-8pm starting in June. We will be partnering with the Snoqualmie Valley Food Bank to help share the time. If you are interested in hanging out, please sign up in the Narthex. We also now are a part of the North Bend Chamber of Commerce; we are looking forward to the opportunities that this new partnership will hold for us in serving the greater Snoqualmie Valley. As we continue to grow our church family, we are in need of volunteers. If you are willing and able to help spread God's love and compassion for our neighbors. We have numerous activities and projects that need support and attention. Vacation Bible School (VBS), North Bend Farmer's Market, updates to the church building and grounds and many more opportunities. Your faithful service is a blessing to all! Please reach out to Ambur, Pastor Krista or any of your Church Council members if you are available to help.

Up Coming Events/Volunteers Needed
North Bend Block Party-July 20th-Pastor Krista or John Grebe
Festival at Mt Si Parade-August 10th-Pastor Krista or John Grebe
Si View Farmer's Market-Thursdays 4—8pm starting June 6th-Sign up in

Vacation Bible School July 28-August 1-John Grebe
Backpacks Program for Snoqualmie Valley Kids-Janey Benson
Books for Kids— Enid Gast and Leslie Hatling
Distribution of backpacks and books will be August 14th and 21st

Blessings, Erica Haycox

Fundraising Goal: \$100,000 to replace the roofs Reach for the Stars Roof Fund Update!

We are almost 90% of the way! Only \$12,117 to GO! We Give Thanks for all

that has been raised so far! Thanks Be to God!
Current giving/pledges total: 95,800!

STAFF NOTE—Your staff is working to boost our communication skills! With a new directory on the way this will help, but over the next few months you will hopefully notice our communication experiments...our goal is keep everyone informed!

COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS





Thank you John Grebe!

John has now been with Mt Si for one year! Now that he has had to settle in there are many ideas in the works for next year. We are excited to see where the Spirit leads.

ONE Service ONLY on June 23rd



All are welcome to gather at **EJ Roberts** Park on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>June 23rd @9:30am</u> for outdoor Worship followed by a <u>meal at 11:00am</u>. Provided by the church for our meal: Hotdogs, Hamburgers, buns, condiments, water and lemonade. If you want a specific meat/non-meat for the grill, please bring it with you. We are asking folks to sign-up to bring a side dish to share and a lawn chair to sit on (there are some picnic tables at the park already, but not enough for all). We will provide group games and lawn games, but you are welcome to bring a family favorite to share. Questions? Talk to Pastor Krista! ***If inclement weather, we will gather at church**



IMPORTANT EVENTS IN JUNE

June 2nd—Hand-out Bibles to 3rd graders and those who did not yet receive one. +
Conversation with parents regarding future of Sunday School and other children and youth educational opportunities

June 8th—Ropes Course at Waterhouse! All ages welcome! This is an <u>All Church Event!</u> See John Grebe for details

June 9th—Last day of Sunday School + Teacher Appreciation Day + Graduation Sunday!

June 23rd—ONE WORSHIP, 9:30am + CHURCH PICNIC and summer celebration ALL at EJ

Roberts Park

IMPORTANT EVENTS IN JULY

July Worship Schedule—ONE Worship at 9:30am
July 20th—North Bend Block Party—we will have a booth again this year!
July 28-Aug 1st—Vacation Bible School; Adventures in Narnia! Register NOW online!

IMPORTANT EVENTS IN AUGUST

August 10th - Festival at Mt Si parade! We will have a float again this year in the parade...want to help? Please contact the office!

9:30am—June 23rd*outdoor worship @ EJ Roberts 9:30am- June 30th—Services at Mt Si





Northwest Washington Synod Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

God's work. Our hands.



Life In Between

By Bishop Kirby Unti On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance,

they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" -- Luke 10:11-13Our Synod Staff has been dwelling on Luke's story of the 10 lepers for the last several months. It has come to our attention that the story takes place where many, many Biblical Stories take place, "in between places." In this case Jesus encounters the lepers in between Samaria and Galilee. There is a practical reason for this. The lepers would not have been welcomed in Samaria or Galilee. They were living in the only place they were allowed, on the margins. Given that Jesus was constantly on the move plays right into the likelihood that we will encounter him in between place. But there is more to this than geography. The story of faith, hope and love is forged "in between." For Abraham and Sarah it was formed in between the invitation to leave behind family and home and the promise of becoming a great nation. For the Israelites it was in the wilderness between Egypt and Promised Land. For the people of exile it was between living in a strange land and the hope of returning home. For the disciples it was in between the sea of Galilee and the cross. And then there is the most holy of time between Good Friday and Easter Morning. I have never been good at living "in between." The uncertainty creates anxiety for me. I want to know the outcome. I just want to get there. Forty years in the wilderness would have done me in.It is not easy for me to live in the present. I am often seduced into wanting to go back to the way it was or jumping ahead to what is waiting for me. Little did I know how prophetic the words of those were who said to Kim and me, "Enjoy your children because they grow up way too quickly." It is in the space and time of "in between" that we come to know, to love and to trust. It is precisely the place we are called to

live.Northwest Washington is entering "in between" time. In between two bishops. Please welcome Rev. Shelley Bryan Wee. Bishop-elect Shelley and I both are leaning into this in between space knowing that it is sacred encountering space. I encourage you not to look back or to race ahead. Rather welcome this new time and our new Bishop and take up residency in it. It is where we encounter Jesus. Once Jesus was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, and he answered, "The kingdom of God is not coming with things that can be observed; nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There it is!' For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among you." -- Luke

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THANK YOU to all who attended the 2019 Synod Assembly SPECIAL thank you to the planners, volunteers and guests who ensured a vibrant, Spirit-led gathering! Learn more at www.lutheransnw.org/2019-Synod-Assembly

SERVING SUNDAY

Worship Assistant Sign-ups

A reminder that sign-ups for worship assistants are in the Narthex on clip boards for the months of June, July and August.

Please take a moment to sign-up so we can provide needed materials prior to worship. We will continue to try out this new way of sign-ups for the next few months.

You are also welcome to call Ambur in the office to sign-up.

THANK YOU for your service!

Sunday Prayer List in Bulletins: Just a reminder that if you wish a name to be added to the Sunday prayer list, please call Ambur in the office. Please indicate if you wish this person to be left on indefinitely or if this is a short term prayer request. We generally keep names on for at least three weeks unless we are asked to do otherwise. Thank you!

Altar Flowers

If you would like to bring flowers for the altar for a special occasion in **2019**, please see the sign up chart in the Fellowship Hall for openings or call the church office at 425 888-1322.

June 9th, Inge and Tom June 16th, Judy Stoddard June 23rd, Larry and Kay Boyle—55th Wedding Ann. June 30th, Shelley Harding

Worship Assistants For May

	LECTOR	USHER	COMM. ASST.	ACOLYTE
June 2nd, 8:15	Terry A	Please sign-up	Courtney A	Please sign-up
June 2nd, 10:45	Brenda D	Mark I	Please sign up	D. Davis
June 9th, 8:15	Tom B	Please sign up	Inge B	Please sign-up
June 9th, 10:45	Please sign up	Please sign up	Please sign up	Please sign up
June 16th, 8:15	Dana K	Koukul Family	Please sign up	Please sign up
June 16th, 10:45	Ed B	Please sign up	Rosemary H	Please sign up
June 23rd, 9:30	EJ Roberts	EJ Roberts	EJ Roberts	EJ Roberts
June 30th, 9:30	Please sign-up	Please sign-up	Please sign up	Please sign up

Cou	unters	June 2	June 9	June 16	June 23	June 30
10		Nancy F	Debbie J/Janey B	Ed B	Bill G	Terry A/Marlin O



JUNE 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 8am Men's Breakfast Bible Study@ Country Pride
2 8:15am Worship 9:30am Educa- tion and Fellow- ship 10:45am Worship	3 12:30pm Women's Bible Study	4 9:30am Quilters	5 6pm BSA #456 6:30pm Dinner & Faith	6 9:30am Needle Art/Fellowship at Mt Si Golf Course 11:30am BDay Luncheon 4-8pm Farmer's Market 6pm AA 7pm Thirsty for Theology @ Cassidy home	7	8 8am Men's Breakfast Bible Study@ Country Pride 9:30am-4pm Waterhouse Rope Course
9 GRAD SUNDAY 8:15am Worship 9:30am Educa- tion & Fellowship 10:45am Worship **Last day of kids Sunday School	10 12:30pm Women's Bible Study	9:30am Quilters 7:00pm Council Meeting	6pm BSA #456 6:30pm Dinner & Faith	9:30am Needle Art/Fellowship at Mt Si Golf Course 4-8pm Farmer's Market 6pm AA	Snoqualmie Valley School District Last Day of School	15 8am Men's Breakfast Bible Study@ Country Pride
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NWWA Synod Assembly 2019 Highlights

A big thank you to Lisa Sampson, Janey Benson, Tyler Koukol and John Grebe for attending the NWWA Synod Assembly as voting members. They were present and active in the process of calling our new Bishop, Rev. Shelley Bryan-Wee and the adoption of six new resolutions that will impact our Synod and at least one memorial that will be sent to the Churchwide gathering this summer for adoption by the whole ELCA. For the full texts, please go to this website, or I can print copies for you.—Pastor Krista

https://www.lutheransnw.org/2019-Synod-Assembly

Here are five of the six (one was to give thanks for work done by synod member) resolutions

- 1. Synod will formally endorse the Poor People's Campaign and encourage members to be involved where able
- 2. Synod will formally become a member of the Emmaus Project, whose goal is to dismantle white supremacy and racism in our churches.
- 3. Synod Council will begin to re-write and add language around workplace discrimination into synod policies
- 4. Synod and Churchwide to honor the 50th anniversary of the ordination of white women and the 40th anniversary of the ordination of women of color
- 5. Memorial (means this goes to churchwide for approval) to encourage the ELCA to speak out against the detention of Palestinian children. *previous memorials have denounced violence on both sides* This memorial is in response to a unique situation developing in the Holy Land regarding Palestinian children observed by the last team of ELCA representatives to both Israel and Palestine.



THE MISSION OF MOUNT SI LUTHERAN IS:

~SERVING~

Mount Si Lutheran is a Christ centered community in service to others.

~REACHING OUT~

We are following Christ's Great Commission, bringing others to Christ through our love, our faith, our hope and our actions.

~GROWING IN GRACE~

As we grow in understanding of God's unconditional acceptance and forgiveness, we encourage others to grow in the biblical principles of faith, hope and love.

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Are you interested in contributing to the newsletter?
Please contact the church office and let us know!
We are happy to include your articles and stories.
Peace to you!